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Sir:

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A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto.

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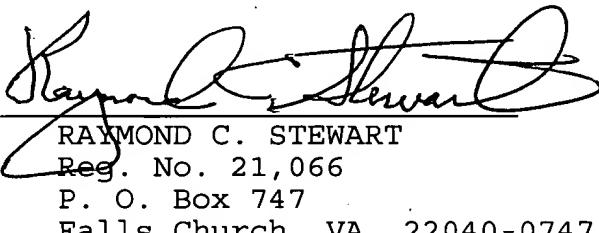
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